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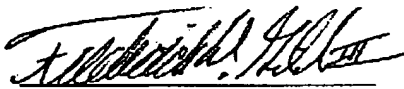
REMARKS

Claims 1-7, 9-11, and 15-21, 23-27, and 29 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 22 and 28 have been cancelled above, which renders the prior rejection moot. Claim 23 has been rewritten in independent form, and should therefore be allowed.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary.

Please charge any deficiencies and credit any overpayments to Attorney's Deposit Account Number 09-0456.

Respectfully submitted,

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